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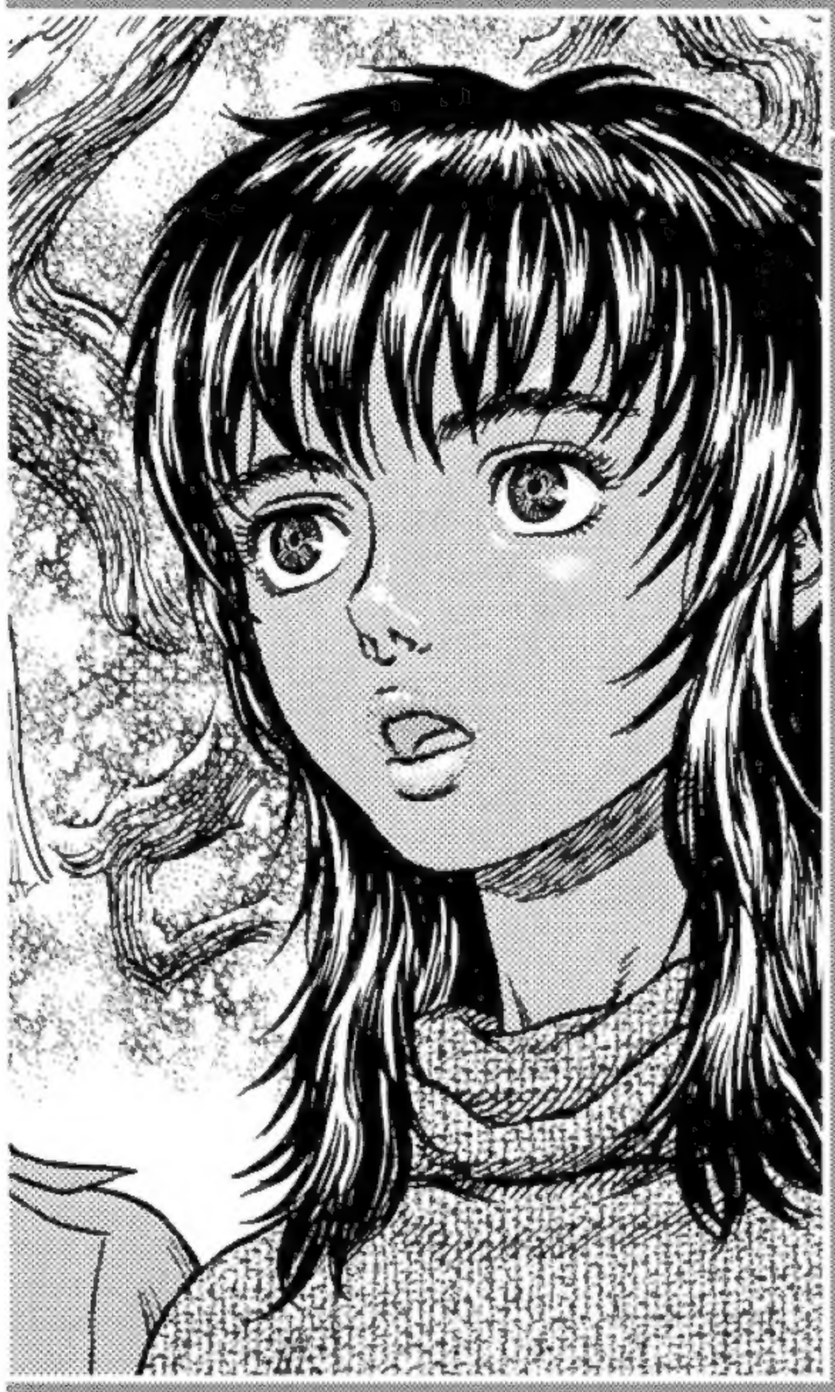
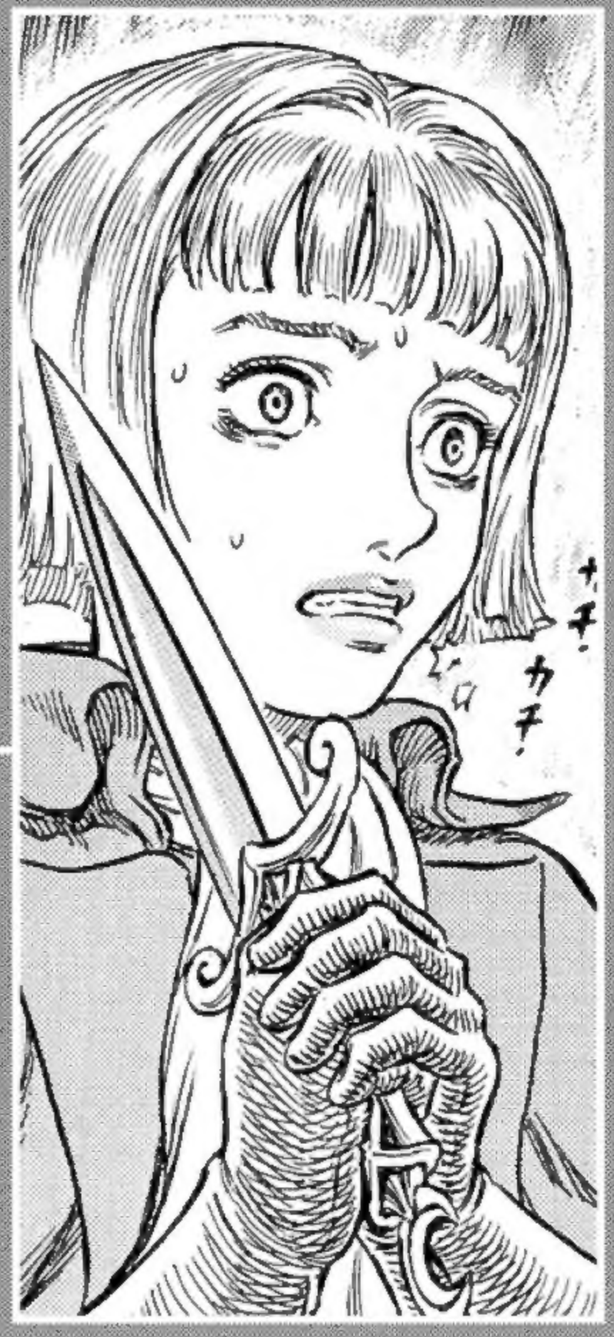


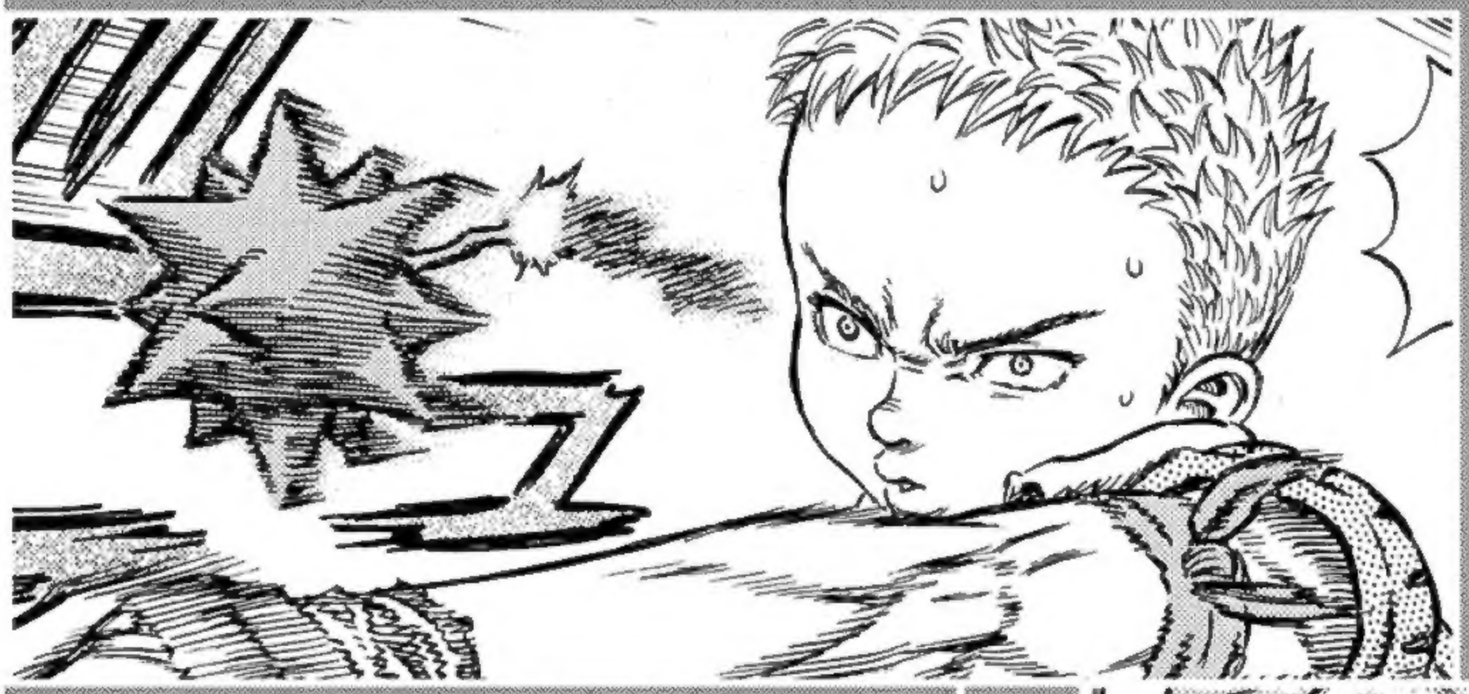
キャスカ Casca

Former unit commander of the Band of the Hawk—mentally regressed from her experience in the Eclipse. She now neither speaks nor conveys any feelings. Her Brand, which reacts to evil, is thinly shielded by Flora's talisman.



ファルネーゼ Farnese

Former commander of the Holy See's Holy Iron Chain Knights and daughter of the Vandimion family, one of influential status and wealth in the religious sphere. She seeks to learn from Guts her own means of survival and about the reality of the world.



ガッツ Guts

The Black Swordsman. He exists in the Interstice, his soul constantly torn between protecting Casca and challenging Griffith. That struggle is nothing short of sublime.

パック Puck

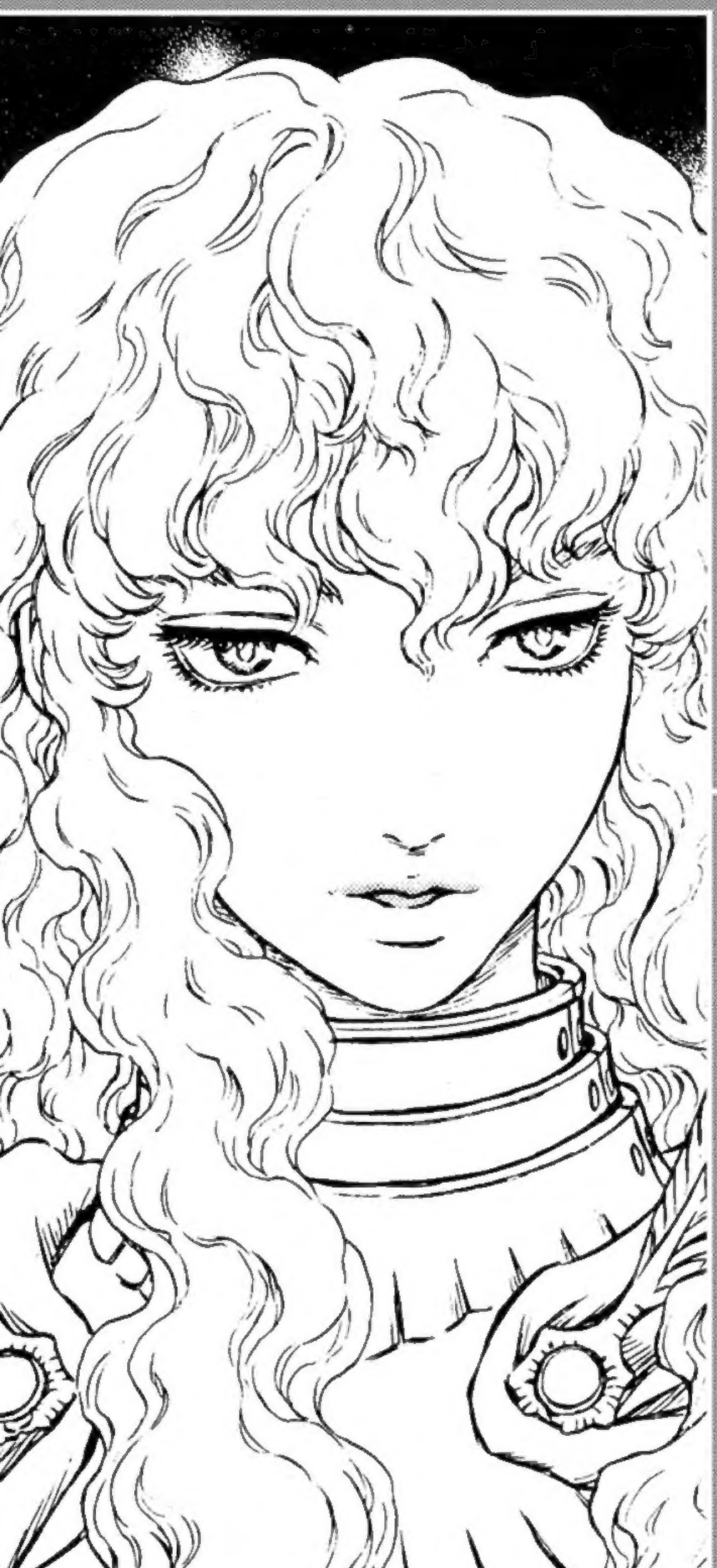
An elf who's long been with Guts on his journeys. His dust has the power to heal wounds. Also, he recently confirmed that he's a wind spirit, one of the four types of elementals.

イシドロ Isidro

Dreams of being the "ultimate swordsman," but his actual talent, not up to snuff, repeatedly endangers him. Nevertheless, the boy endeavors toward his dream. He is currently equipped with a fetish granted the protection of fire elementals.

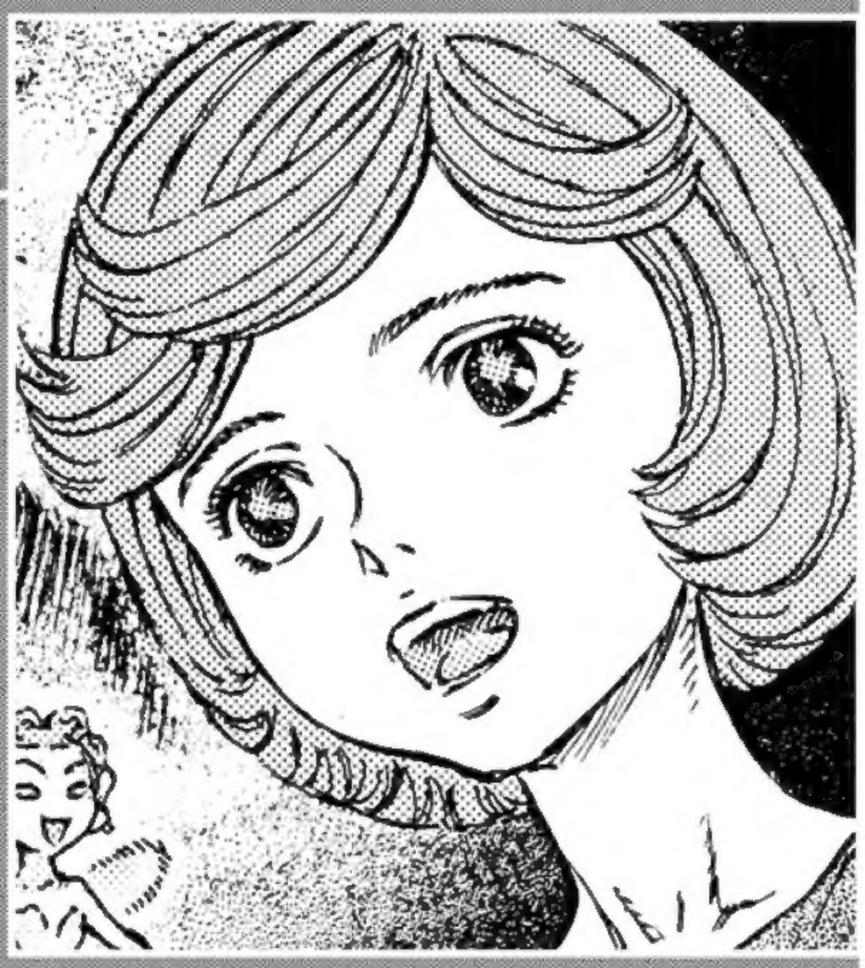
セルピコ Serpico

Attendant of Farnese, and actually her brother; however, she is not aware of the blood relationship. He is skilled in fighting and is currently clad in a fetish granted the protection of wind elementals.



シールケ Schierke

Disciple of Flora, witch of the Spirit Tree mansion. She supports Guts and the others through her use of magic; however, among her spells are some beyond her mastery, which occasionally place her in great peril as she tries to aid her allies.



グリフィス Griffith

Through the Eclipse of the Crimson Behelit, he was reborn as Femto of the Godhand. Later he was incarnated in the imitation Eclipse catalyzed by the egg-shaped apostle, thus returning to the physical world, in which he became the "absolute," without equal.

ゾッド Zodd

Nosferatu Zodd, the apostle with two names. He was unrivaled in his thirst for battle against the strong. But, defeated by Griffith, he is now part of the new Band of the Hawk.

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火竜
FIRE DRAGON

*KLAK

*KLAK

*GROLLLL

AT MY LEVEL, THE FORCE OF HIS OD IS TOO INTENSE FOR THOUGHT TRANSFERENCE TO GET THROUGH.

I CAN'T.

WHAT'S GOIN' ON WITH GUTS...?

WH...

...

OUR ARCH-ENEMY!!

WELL DONE, BLACK SWORDS-MAN!!

*HURL

NOW TASTE THE POWER...

...OF MY STRIKE!!

"WHOOM

*GONNG

WHAT ...?

*FX: HYNNN

VSSSSSH

KLANG

AR GH!

SLAM

*DOSH

BUT...

YEAH!

*FX: FFT FFT

*FX: JSSH JSSH

*ROWR

YOU ARE THE VICTOR!!

MAGNIFI-CENT...!!

NO, YOU'RE A SUPERB WARRIOR, AND YOU EXCEED THEM!!

THE RUMORS LIED NOT...!!

*VWOOSH

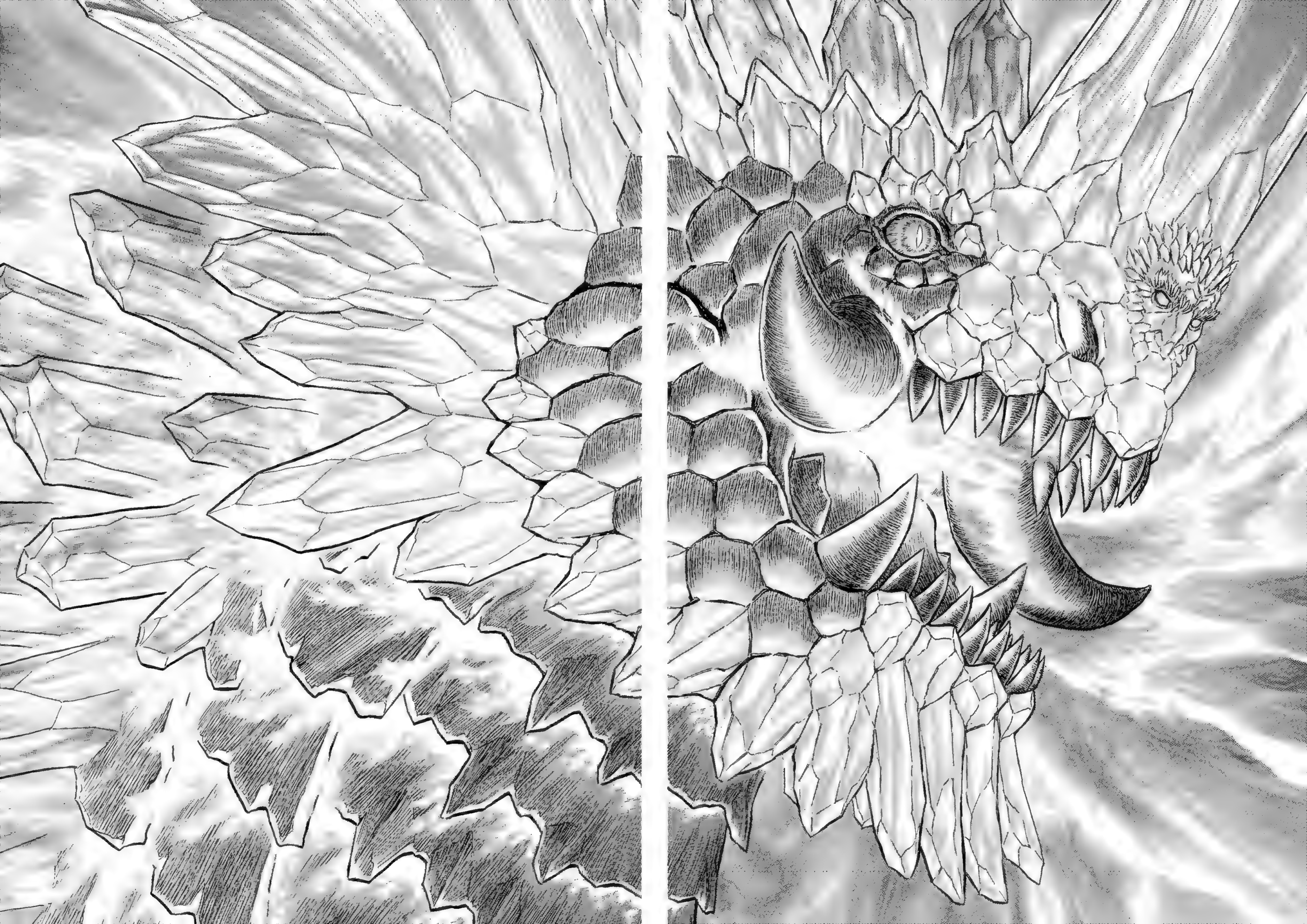
FOR MY MASTER.

BUT MY MISSION LIES AHEAD...

*WHOM

...I SHALL FINISH YOU!!!

AS AN APOSTLE OF THE HAWK OF LIGHT...



D-
D-RA...

DORAE-
MON..

PAT

*OHHHNNN

DRAGON!

...AND LAY LOW THE BLACK SWORDS-MAN!!!

I SHALL USE THIS POWER GRANTED TO ME AS AN APOSTLE...

*HRRRL

*WHOMM

*DSSH

FULL FORCE !

DAMN ....!

HE STOPPED IT...?!

IM...

IMPOSSIBLE ...!!

AN APOSTLE'S ATTACK...?

*STRAIN

*STRAIN

*FX: VSSSH

A HUMAN ?!

*KRSSH

*KRSSH

*ZHFF

*BOK

*SWAY

I WON'T HAVE IT!!

*LUNGE

*CHOK

WRONK

*FX· BRORRR

ブオオ…

*ZHOK

GUTS …!

*FX: CLATA

ガラ…

…HAS BEEN CRACKED ?!

IT'S *NOT* POSSIBLE!!

MY SKIN OF CORUNDUM, STRONGER THAN EVEN STEEL…

*RORLLL

*KRANK

*SHNK

*HRRRN

*FX: CHOK CHOK

*FX: VASSH

*FX: SQULCH

THE ARMOR IS REINFORCING HIS BROKEN LIMBS...

...BY *PIERCING* THROUGH HIS FLESH...

...AND *BITING* INTO HIS BONES.

IT IS THE ARMOR'S POWER.

WH-WHOA... WEREN'T HIS ARM AND LEG JUST FACIN' THE WRONG WAY?

UGH, LOVELY.

WOOF

...AS HE CONTINUED FIGHTING, UNTIL THE LAST OF HIS BLOOD GUSHED FORTH FROM WHERE HIS BONES WERE BROKEN.

I HEARD THE PREVIOUS OWNER OF THE ARMOR WAS SIMILARLY DEVOURED BY ITS STEEL TEETH...

C'MON! LET'S FLEE WHILE HE'S DISTRACTING!

"WHAP WHAP

WHAT DO I DO...?

IT'S MY FAULT... AGAIN...

I-IT WAS A NOBLE SACRIFICE SO HIS COMPANIONS COULD LIVE!

IN THAT CASE, LET'S SCRAM, SO HIS DEATH'S NOT IN VAIN...

WHA --?

WHY'D YOU PUT SOMETHIN' LIKE *THAT* ON GUTS WHEN HE'S NEAR DEAD ANYWAY?!

...

WHY A THING LIKE THAT...?!

MISTRESS, WHY?!

...MUST I DO?

WHAT...

YOU WILL DEAL WITH IT.

YOU NOW APPRECIATE YOUR INEXPE-RIENCE AND THE DANGER OF DROWNING IN POWER...

FOR THIS VERY REASON, IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR YOU.

BUT I...

...AM STILL A NOVICE.

I AM UPSET...

...AND MY MAGIC...

MISTRESS !!

IT IS SOMETHING THAT ONLY YOU, BEING A WITCH, CAN DO.

YOU WILL SHOW HIM THE WAY.

THIS SWORDSMAN, LOST IN THE TURBULENCE OF POWER...

THE DEPTHS OF HELLFIRE

業火の底

BERSERK

*SHLF

I AM GOING TO BRING BACK GUTS!

WATCH MY BACK!

H...

HEY, WHAT'RE YOU GONNA DO?

WATCH OVER...?

HEY!

SHEESH

LET HIM BE. YOU'LL JUST GET IN TROUBLE AGAIN...

I WILL...

*HHSSS

ｱﾊﾊ。

I WILL TRY, MISTRESS.

...REACH HIM...!!

*FX RRLLL

ゴゴゴゴ

*BROARRRRR

WHAT THE *HELL* ARE YOU...?!

...AND EVEN *WOUND* ME?!

TO WITHSTAND *TWO* ATTACKS FROM MY TRUE APOSTLE FORM...

UNBELIEV-ABLE!!

*GCHAK

SIR FIRE DRA-GON.

*GCHAK

YOU SEEM TO BE HAVIN' A HARD TIME.

WE HAD NO LUCK HUNTIN' DOWN THAT WITCH, AND NOW WE'RE *REALLY* BORED.

LET US JOIN IN.

YOU GRUNTS...

*FX: GZHH GZHH

...YOU SHOULDN'T REALLY MIND...

HEY, IF IT AIN'T ONE ON ONE ANYMORE, AS AN APOSTLE...

*FX: GZHH GZHH

SHOUT!

OGH...

*SHHHRAP

*LUNGE

N-NO FAIR!

THEY WERE TRANS-FORMIN' ...!

YOU SON OF A BITCH !!

FWSSS

*WHOCK

*ZOOOSH

*BSSSH

I MUST'VE BROKEN FOUR OR FIVE RIBS.

SHHHRII

THIS FEEL-ING.

*KRRSH

*FX: YANK

*FX: GISSH

*FX: KRRRRSH

WHAT...?

*STAGGER

*KORSH

SHRIP!

*CHNK

*STAB

*STAB

*CHRN

*KRNCH
KRNCH

LESS HUMAN...

EATIN' LIVE PRAWN.

HIS FIGHTIN' STYLE'S GETTIN' LESS AND LESS HUMAN...

YEAH...

IT'S JUST LIKE...

GEHE HEH

...TASTY MORSELS OVER HERE TOO!

*SNAP

THERE'S SOME...

JUST LIKE...

WON'T SHE WAKE UP IF WE TAP THE WAND?

*ZHA

IF IT COMES DOWN TO IT, WE CAN RUN AND TAKE SCHIERKE WITH US!

SCHIERKE...

THESE ...

...FLAMES ... ANGER.

THIS IS THE HATEFUL TURBULENCE THAT FLOWS DEEP WITHIN THE ARMOR.

IF A TYPICAL HUMAN BEING WERE SIMILARLY CONSUMED, THEIR EGO WOULD SHATTER...

WILL I MAKE IT IN TIME?

*RORRRRRR

*GOHHHHHH

!

*GOHHHHHH

THAT'S --!!

CAN I *DO* THIS?! CAN I RESCUE HIM FROM SUCH TURBULENT RAGE...?

THAT'S THE IMAGE GUTS PROJECTS WHEN HE'S CLAD IN THE OD OF THE ARMOR.

GUTS IS INSIDE IT...

*FWOHH

IF I'M NOT CAREFUL, I'LL BE SWEPT AWAY, TOO...

THERE IS NO TIME TO HESITATE.

*RORRRRRR

LIGHTS...

.....

FRAGMENTS OF GUTS' MEMORIES...?

THEY ARE...

...JUST LIKE LAMP-LIGHTS.

*FX: ZMZMZMZM

?!

DARKNESS ...?!

*FWOOSH

NOOO!

WHAT ?!

HORRI-BLE...

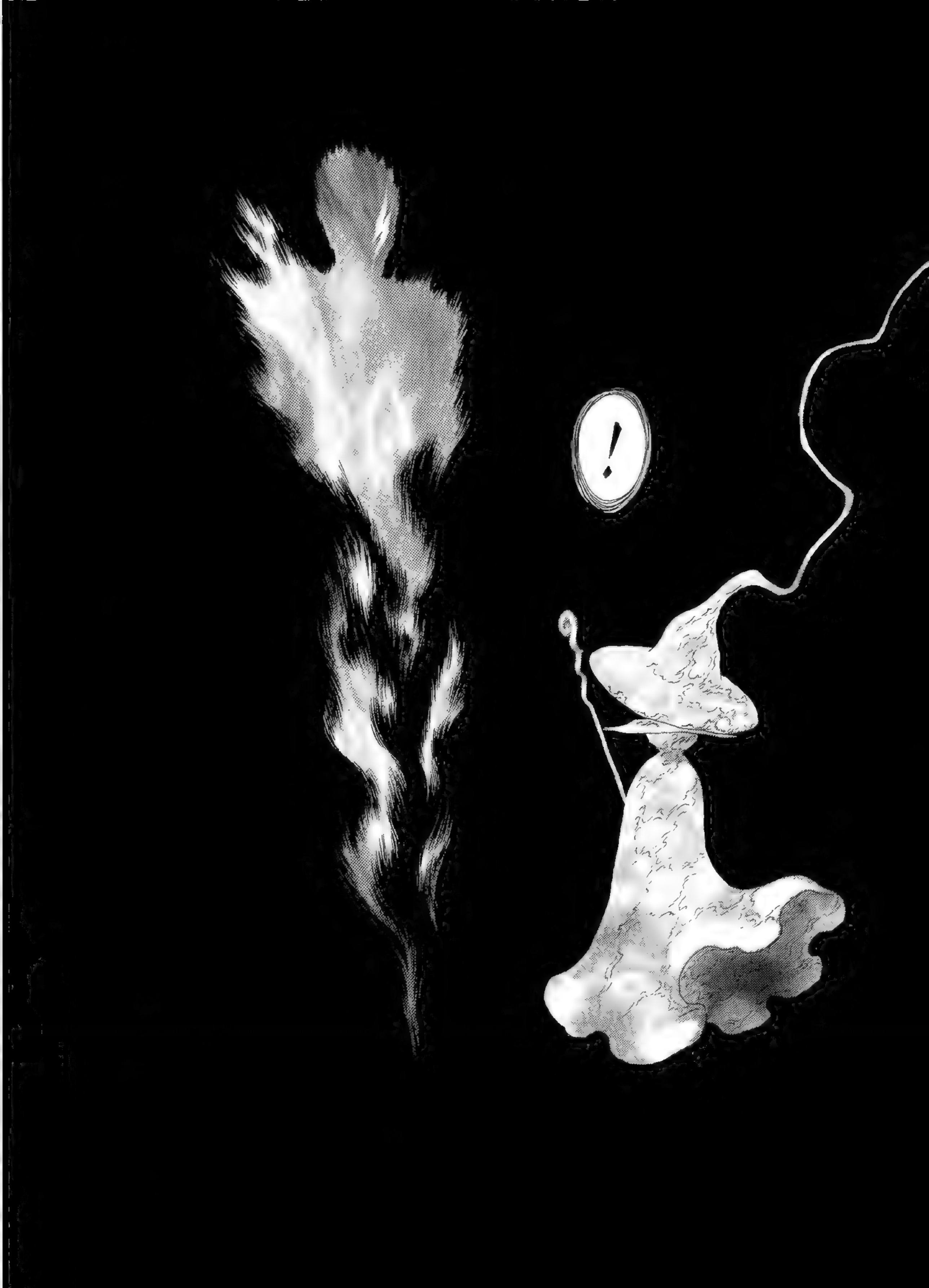
BEING ENGULFED ...

MIS-TRESS ...!!

!

THAT'S...

...MY MISTRESS' ...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炎の旅立ち
DEPARTURE OF FLAME

WHAT'S THIS...?

THIS IS *GUTS'* *EGO.*

I SEE.

...HIS EGO AGAINST COLLAPSE.

MY MISTRESS' TALISMAN WAS GUARDING...

MALICE.

ANGER.

HATE.

YOU MUSTN'T YIELD TO THE FLOW!

NO!

!

YOU'LL BE TAKEN INTO THIS DOMAIN.

YES.

YOU'LL CEASE TO BE YOURSELF.

...Y...

...ELD...?

REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE!

REMEM-BER!

KILL

RUIN

IT DOESN'T ...

...MATTER...

A HUMAN SOUL WOULDN'T BECOME THIS TATTERED OVER SOME-THING THAT DOESN'T MATTER!

OF COURSE IT MATTERS!

REMEM-BER!

IT'S HOT...

THE REASON YOU JOURNEY...

THE REASON YOU'RE FIGHTING NOW!

MURDER WAR

FOE APOSTLE

FOE FRIEND

GRIFFITH

JOUR-
NEY...

FIGHT
...

REASON
...

...

*FX: FWMM

WHAT'S
...

...THAT
...?

CAS...

...CA...

STOP...

HER NAME IS *CASCA.*

REMEMBER!

LEAVE...

...HER ALONE...

...IS THAT...?

WHO...

I KNOW HER...

...IS...
...GUTS.

YOUR NAME...

...GUTS.

THE BRANDED SWORDS-MAN...

...THE BRANDED GIRL.

THE PROTECTOR OF CASCA...

*EEEEK

...FIRE.

RECEIVE MY...

*OHMMM

*FWOOSH

*DOOM

WHAT ?!

PRAWNS EITHER!

DAMN STAR-FISH! SEA LIFE DON'T WANDER THE FOREST!

SHNK

SHUK

*FX: WSSSMP

*FX: SHMP

*FX: TMP

*FX: ZHA ZHA ZHA

*FX: LEAP

GUTS...!

BA...

BAR-BAR-IAN!

AU...

AIIEEE!

*ZHLFF

*KILL

NO, CASCA!! IT'S DANGER-OUS...

OOOO

*ZHF ZHF ZHF ZHF

*SHRRRIP

*SHRRRIP

*CHLLK

*FX: HHHHH

*FX· CHAK CHAK

*FX: GCHIK

*FX· STAND

*FX: ZZVVVV

!

A...

ARE YOU...?

SQUEEZE

ギュ…

OOOO

HOW AWFUL...

GUTS...

DOWAHHH !!

*FX: ZHA

...!

IT'S ALL RIGHT.

*OHMMMM

YOU WON'T ESCAPE !!

*DSSSH

WE'RE GONNA BURRRN !!

*FWOOOSH

!

*FX: SHIMMER

*FX: RORRRRR

...A WALL OF FLAME ?!

THAT'S ...

MISTRESS ...!!

HUGE!

AND YOUNG!

*ZHFF

MIS-TRESS !!

NOW GO.

THIS FOREST WILL NOT LAST MUCH LONGER.

YOU HAVE DONE WELL, SCHIERKE.

I...

NO...

I WON'T ...

...THIS DOMAIN WILL LIKELY CLOSE.

ONCE THE SPIRIT TREE BURNS DOWN...

HOWEVER PLEASANT THE SUNSHINE, THE YOUNG MUST NOT DWELL HERE FOREVER.

THIS TREE AND I HAVE BOTH LIVED QUITE LONG.

THIS PLACE IS AN INTERSTICE WHERE TIME LINGERS FOR THE OLD.

THANK YOU.

MISTRESS ...!!

THE DAYS I SPENT WITH YOU WERE SHORT...

...BUT IN ALL MY LONG LIFE, THEY WERE THE MOST SERENE.

GO FORTH FROM HERE AND FIND YOUR OWN PATH...

...MY DEAREST STUDENT.

THE TIME HAS COME TO LEAVE THE NEST.

*DOOOSH

*VSSSH

*SHHUP

*KRRAK

HEY!

STUPID!

LET'S GO!

WAIT!

BLACK SWORDS-MAN!!

...THAT I, A FIRE DRAGON, CANNOT MANIPULATE ?!

WHAT IS THIS FLAME ...

WE CAN MEET AGAIN IN YOUR DREAMS.

MY EXISTENTIAL FORM WILL MERELY CHANGE.

WHETHER YOU GRASP THE FATE BEFORE YOU IS UP TO YOU.

...SWEET, BELOVED CHILD.

MAY YOUR GOING FORTH BE BLESSED...

FAREWELL...

...MY SUNSHINE.

DEMON CITY

魔都

BERSERK

*A-AWW

*AWWW

*AWWW

*AWWW

THE ROYAL CAPITAL, WINDHAM

*GREEE

*FX: KREEE

THAT'S IT.

THANKS TO THE FOG, WE MANAGED TO SLIP INTO THE CITY SAFELY.

INDEED.

YOU ARE THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT ?

I AM *LABAN*, LEADER OF MIDLAND'S *ARKLOW KNIGHTS.*

ALLOW ME TO INTRODUCE MYSELF.

THAT THE LEADER HIMSELF WOULD COME TO US...

SIR LABAN.

OHH...

WE MERELY MANAGE TO RUN ABOUT LIKE MOLES BENEATH THE GROUND...

NO... WE ARE A RESISTANCE MOVEMENT IN NAME ONLY.

WE WERE DESPAIRING THAT WE WERE ALONE AND UNAIDED.

AS A MILITARY MAN, I ADMIRE THE WORK YOU ALL HAVE DONE THUS FAR.

WELL, WE ARE GRATEFUL.

IT HAS BEEN REDUCED TO A DREADFUL DEMON CITY.

CURRENTLY, WINDHAM DOES NOT EVEN SEEM OF THIS WORLD.

CORPSES!

CORPSES.

EVERY-WHERE YOU GO...

CORPSES !!

EVERY PLAZA...

EVERY TOWER THROUGHOUT WINDHAM...

CHURCH...

EVERY PLACE IS INUNDATED WITH THE CORPSES OF OUR PEOPLE!!

...HAD INSTEAD RISEN TO THE SURFACE.

AS IF THAT NECROPOLIS SAID TO SLEEP BENEATH THE *TOWER OF REBIRTH*...

IT DOES NOT EVEN LOOK LIKE REALITY...

...APPARENTLY TO BE USED IN SOME BIZARRE *KUSHAN* RITUAL. WHETHER THEY LIVE STILL IS UNKNOWN...

THOSE LEFT ARE THE POWER-LESS--THE ELDERLY AND CHILDREN.

THE WOMEN WERE MARCHED INTO THE CASTLE...

THE MEN OF WINDHAM WHO RESISTED WERE KILLED, AND THOSE ARRESTED, REGARDLESS OF SOCIAL STATUS, WERE SENT TO THE BATTLEFIELD AS WAR SLAVES.

BUT ONE PIECE OF NEWS IS GOOD...

THAT'S HORREN-DOUS...

PRINCESS CHARLOTTE IS ALIVE.

SHE IS IMPRISONED IN THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF THE TOWER OF REBIRTH.

IF THE ROYAL BLOODLINE IS UNSEVERED, THERE'S STILL HOPE!

IF THE PRINCESS IS SAFE ...!!

MIDLAND MIGHT BE SAVED FROM THE BRINK OF DOWNFALL!

IT IS CERTAIN. WE LOST MANY LIVES TO LEARN THIS TRUTH.

IS THAT TRUE?!

OHH ...!

...WE ARE IN A STATE OF ISOLATION HERE AND KNOW NEARLY NOTHING OF WHAT GOES ON OUTSIDE...

...SO I WISH TO ASK ABOUT A RUMOR.

SIR LABAN...

...WHO, IN THEIR OWN INTERESTS, BOUND THEM-SELVES TO THE ALLIED NATIONS.

CERTAINLY, IF THAT *IS* TRUE, WE MAY BE ABLE TO REGAIN GOVERNANCE OVER THE NOBLES...

...THE HAWK?

WHERE IS...

YOU'RE...

!

?!

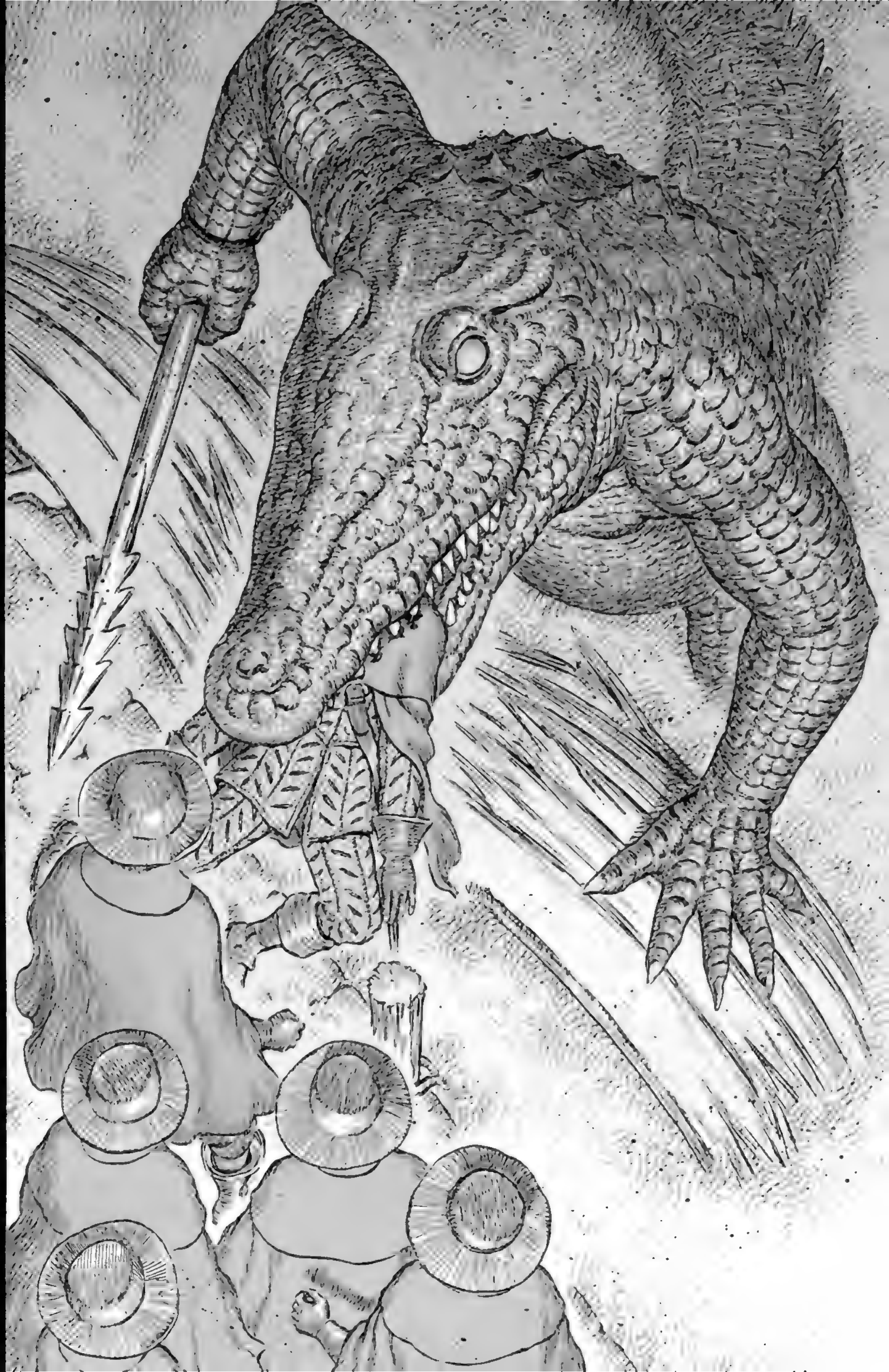
GYAHH!

DZASSSH

OH NO, IT'S THEM!!

OH!

WHAT ?!



*OMF

*OMF

*AGGHHH

*FX FWOP

THIS WAY, SIR LABAN!!

WH- WHAT'S--

IGH!

*CHOMP

WHAT IS THAT MONSTER ...?!

KUSHAN SORCERY!!

...TO MANIPULATE HALF-BEAST, HALF-MAN MONSTERS LIKE THAT ONE!!

IT MAY BE DIFFICULT TO BELIEVE, BUT IT IS ALSO THE ONLY EXPLANATION ...!!

THE KUSHAN USE SORCERY...

...HAS BECOME A DEMON CITY WHERE BIZARRE BEASTS RUN RAMPANT!!!

I SAID IT NOT AS METAPHOR OR EXAGGERA-TION!! WINDHAM...

A DEMON CITY.

TH-THIS SHOULD BE FAR ENOUGH FOR NOW...

OUR SENTIMENTS EXACTLY.

UNBELIEVABLE. NEVER MIND THAT I JUST SAW IT WITH MY OWN EYES...

THE DAY CAME WHEN THIS FOG COVERED THE CITY...

...AND AS THOUGH SUMMONED BY IT, THESE HORRORS BEGAN TO PROWL THE STREETS.

THE CITIZENS FEAR THEM, CONFINE THEMSELVES TO THEIR HOMES, AND COWER.

EVERYONE SAYS THE SAME...

THAT THIS NO LONGER SEEMS REAL, LIKE WE HAVE WANDERED INTO A NIGHTMARE...

INDEED...

ドン。

ドン。

ドン。

!

...REALISTIC THEATER OF WAR.

THIS IS NO...

*FX: SHM

*ZHLF

W-WE'RE TRAPPED ...!!

*FX: PLOOSH

*FX: SHHHHH

*FX: SHM SHH SHM

*DOOSH

*FX: BLACH

*FX: TNK TNK TNK TNK

FROM WHERE ...?!

ARROWS ...?!

?!

*THUDDO

*F X BDADUMP BDADUMP

*AOOORN

*GYNNN

WHO'S ...?!

*THWIIK

*FX· CLOP CLOP CLOP

ガガガ

WAHHH!

*BDOOOOSH

ドドドド

YEE!

CITIZENS OF WINDHAM.

WAIT PATIENTLY.

*CLOP

*CLOP

IN DUE COURSE WILL THE MIASMA COVERING THE CITY BE SWEPT CLEAN.

A STRONG WIND WILL BLOW.

WHO ARE YOU...?

...I MUST NOW GO.

AS I AM CHARGED WITH A MISSION...

*FX: BDADUMP BDADUMP

...FOR THE TEMPEST THE HAWK BRINGS.

HIDE AND MAKE READY...

THE HAWK ...!!!

WHAT DID HE...?!

WH...

...TRESPASSING IN MY DOMAIN.

SEVERAL INHUMAN PRESENCES...

I FEEL THEM.

...ALL LIES IN THE PALM OF MY HAND.

WITHIN THIS FOG...

IT'S FUTILE.

COME TO MY DEMON CASTLE...

BUT COME.

...VANGUARD OF THE HAWK.

DREAD EMPEROR

恐帝

...THE POWERS OF *THE BAKIRAKA CLAN?*

DID I OVER-ESTIMATE A BIT...

I AM AT A LOSS TO RESPOND.

...BUT WITH YOUR OPPONENT BEING THE HAWK OF ORACLE, IT CANNOT BE HELPED.

I *TOO* HAD HIGH HOPES FOR THE TENACITY ON WHICH YOU GAMBLED THE RESTORATION OF YOUR CLAN...

BUT...

I SHALL LEAVE THE DUTY OF SEIZING HIM TO MY OWN ARMY.

HENCEFORTH, REPORT ONLY ON THE HAWK'S LOCATION AND MOVEMENTS, AS NECESSARY.

YES, SIRE...!

ENOUGH. GO NOW.

I FEEL ASHAMED, YOUNG MASTER.

WE CONTINUE TO FALL SHORT...

THIS HAS GROWN TROUBLING, THOUGH.

IF WE ARE DISMISSED FROM CAPTURING THE HAWK...

DON'T DWELL ON IT. MY OWN INEXPERIENCE WAS AT PLAY AS WELL.

...THERE IS A SLIM CHANCE WE WILL BE SHOWN UP BY THE ARMY...

SO LONG AS WE KEEP OUR EYES ON THE PRIZE, OUR CHANCE WILL COME.

THE HAWK WILL NOT BE CAUGHT EASILY BY THOSE DIMWITTED SOLDIERS.

...WHAT A GRIM SIGHT.

BUT STILL...

...AS IF IT'S ONE GIANT CURSED ALTAR.

...REEKS OF BLOOD AND DEATH...

...BUT THE WHOLE OF THIS CITY...

NOT ONLY WITHIN THE CASTLE...

HARDLY.

...THE SOLDIERS WERE RUMORING THAT HORRORS WERE PROWLING ABOUT.

WITH THE CITY LOST IN FOG...

NO, I CAN'T MAKE THAT ASSERTION.

DON'T SAY IT.

...TO THAT DREAD EMPEROR?

...TO ENTRUST THE FATE OF OUR CLAN...

WAS IT TRULY PROPER, THOUGH...

IF WE LET THIS CHANCE SLIP, WE WILL CONTINUE TO PASS ON TO OUR DESCENDANTS BITTER, AIMLESS DAYS SPENT WANDERING FOREIGN LANDS.

RESTORATION TO THE EMPIRE HAS BEEN OUR CLAN'S DEAREST WISH FOR CENTURIES.

...IN-DEED...

BUT...

ENOUGH.

I SPOKE UN-WISELY.

...IS A "DREAD EMPEROR."

...THE GREAT EMPEROR GANISHKA ...

*FX GREEEE

THIS PILE HAS GROWN EVEN HIGHER.

A...

A HORDE OF MEN ENTERING A LADY'S ROOM WITHOUT NOTICE... IS THAT NOT IMPOLITE ?!

THROW HER OUT FOR A TIME.

HM...

ANNA ...!!

PRINCESS CHAR-LOTTE !!

UN-HAND --!

...BUT AT THIS RATE YOU MAY DO YOURSELF MORE HARM THAN GOOD.

I PRESENTED YOU WITH A FULL SET OF EMBROIDERY TOOLS AS A MEANS OF DIVERSION...

PRE-PARED ...?

P...

...THAT ONE WHO IS A PRISONER WOULD FIND COMFORT IN SUCH PIECES OF CLOTH.

...

IT'S NO WONDER, THOUGH...

...HAVE YOU PREPARED YOURSELF, THEN...

...PRIN-CESS?

SO...

TO BEAR MY CHILD.

IT OUGHT TO BE OBVIOUS.

THIS TOO IS COMMON IN WAR.

YOU SHOULD KNOW THIS, AS PRINCESS OF A KINGDOM.

DO YOU WISH TO BE PRINCESS OF A RUINED KINGDOM, WHOSE FOLLY MASSACRED HER PEOPLE?

YOUR ESPOUSAL OF MY LINEAGE ENABLES THE RULE OF MY EMPIRE TO SPREAD TO THIS LAND WITHOUT FURTHER USELESS CONFLICT.

...SUCH THINGS ...

...DO NOT UNDER-STAND...

I... I...

*GRASP

I'VE GIVEN YOU AMPLE TIME, SINCE THE ROYAL CITY FELL, TO PREPARE FOR THIS DAY.

IT IS NOT AS THOUGH I WAS BORN OF A BEAST.

*RRRRIP

*THUD

*BATHUMP

...
...
!!

*BATHUMP

*BATHUMP

N...

NOOOO!!

LORD GRIFFITH!!!

GRIFFITH...

SHE SAID...?

WHAT'S THIS...?!

...IS THE HAWK'S LOVER ?!

THIS GIRL...

NEVER !!

IT'S THE HAWK ?!

HUH HUH HUH ...

INTER-ESTING.

HIGH-NESSSSS !!

ZHA

I THOUGHT HAVING THAT YOUNG GIRL WOULD PROVIDE ME WITH SOME ENTERTAINMENT...

CONQUERING THIS KINGLESS KINGDOM IS SIMPLE, BUT I'VE GROWN A BIT TIRED OF WAR.

...BUT WHO KNEW SHE HAD SOME CONNECTION TO THE HAWK?

THE APPEARANCE OF THE HAWK.

IT SIGNIFIES THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE WORLD.

AND CLEAVING TO THE HAWK IS SURELY PARAMOUNT FOR US INHUMANS.

IT IS LIKE DRAWING NEAR TO AND BEING EMBRACED BY GOD.

THE REINCARNATED KNOW THAT INSTINCTIVELY.

...OF THE KUSHAN EMPIRE.

BUT I AM THE GREAT EMPEROR...

I CONTROL THE VASTEST TERRITORY IN THE WORLD.

...THIS WORLD BELONGS TO ME.

I WON'T RELINQUISH IT. EVEN IF IT'S BLOOD-SMEARED AND DEFILED...

...AND REBEL AGAINST GOD.

I'LL REIGN OVER THIS UNCLEAN WORLD AS A DEMON KING...

WAIT.

INTRUD-
ERS!!

*SHP

*SHP

THE DAKA

鬼兵(ダーカ)

*SHMM

*SHHP

*FX: ZHHP

*FX: SHAP

*FX: FWASS

SNUCK UP ON SO EASILY.

*FX: SHRLLL

*VYNN

MHM

MHM

HOW THE BAKIRAKA HAVE FALLEN.

RAKSAS.

*FX: SHH SHH

...AN ASSASSIN WHO REVEALS HIS PRESENCE.

IF SO, *YOU* ARE THE CARELESS ONE...

ON ORDERS TO ASSASSINATE THE EMPEROR?

WHY'RE YOU HERE IN WINDHAM?

THAT'S NOT WHAT I'VE COME FOR TODAY.

*FX: DMDMDMDMDM

WHAT'S-- ?!

THE BAND OF THE HAWK ...!!

*FWMM

*DM *DM *DM *DM *DM *DM

...DO IT *AFTER* YOU'VE STOPPED ME.

IF YOU'RE GOING TO TALK BIG...

HEH

FOLLOW HIM!!

I KNOW.

REPORTING, SIRE. INTRUDERS INSIDE THE CASTLE.

*NOOOO

COURTEOUSLY ENTERTAIN THEM.

*BLASSSH

*AIIEEE

WHAT POWER HAS THE BAND OF THE HAWK...?

I NEVER EXPECTED A DIRECT ATTACK WITH THOSE NUMBERS.

...HOW FAR INTO MY DEMON CASTLE THAT POWER WILL LAST.

I WONDER...

SWOTT
LLOMS.

*THWIP

*THWIP

*THWIP

*THWIP

*THWIP

*ZHNK

*MRRRR

*GDINNG

*FX: TAK TAK TAK

*FX: THK THK THK

*FX: SHHHHH

*BDADUMP BDADUMP

BDADUMP

*AHHH

*AHHH

*AHHH

*KRRRR

*GSHANNNG

*DMDMDM

"WHAM!!"

ガガガガ…

*FX: BDADUMP BDADUMP

*FX: CHALP CHALP

...ARE NO MATCH FOR INHUMAN OPPONENTS.

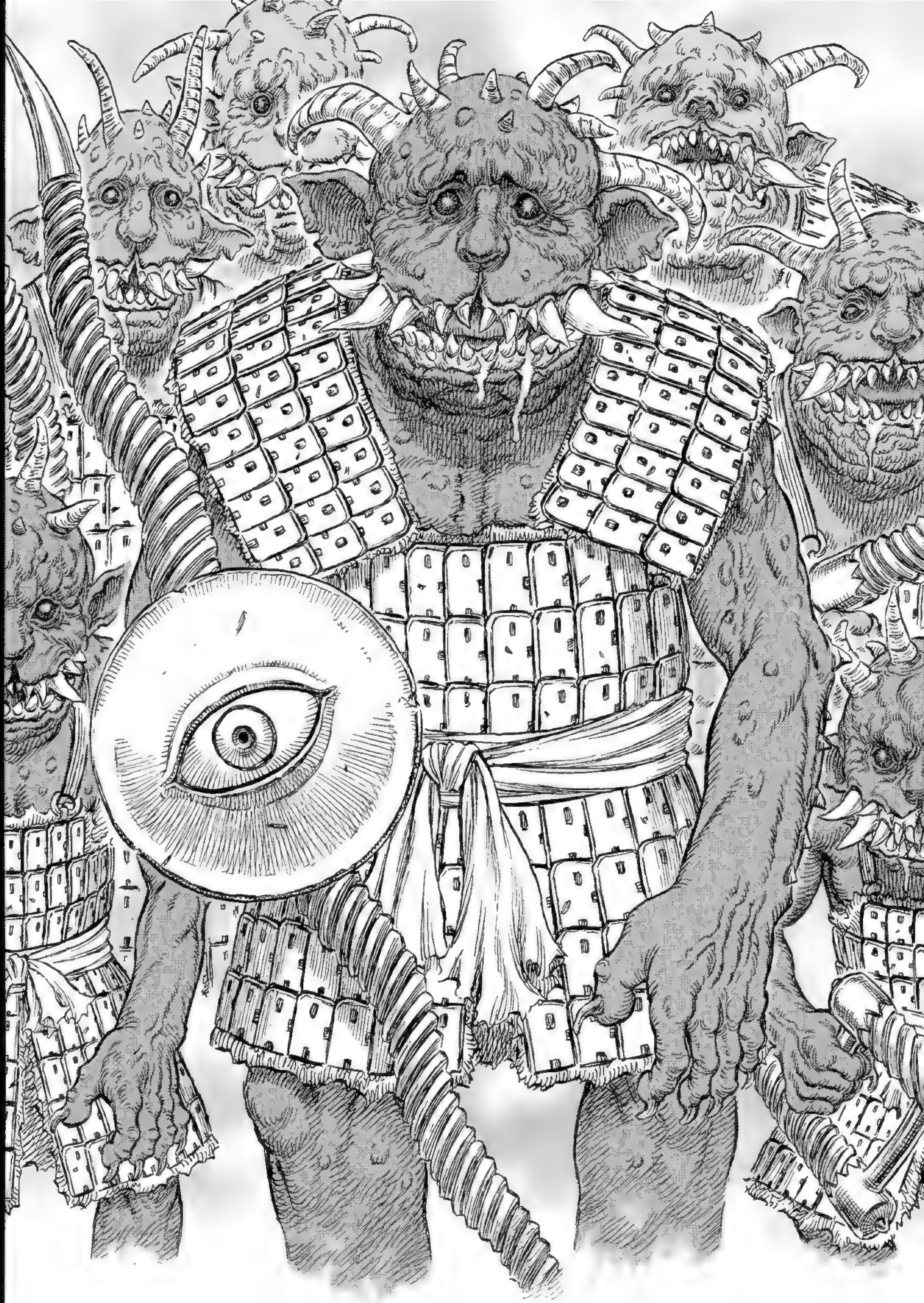
SO INDEED, HUMAN SOLDIERS...

LET THEM FACE THE *DAKA.*

LURE THEM TO THE RE-TRENCH-MENT.

ALL HANDS, HALT.

"BDADUMP BDADUMP



*FX· HHHH HHHH

*FX: NGEEE

WHAT ARE...

SOLDIERS LIKE DEMONS FROM HELL I BORE THROUGH SECRET ARTS.

!

DAKA.

I PRESUME YOU TO BE HIS MAJESTY, THE GREAT EMPEROR?

*GCHAK

I AM *LOCUS*, CAPTAIN OF THE BAND OF THE HAWK'S LANCERS.

WELCOME TO MY DEMON CASTLE, VALOROUS SOLDIERS OF THE HAWK.

I AM INDEED THE *GREAT EMPEROR GANISHKA OF THE KUSHAN EMPIRE.*

I CAN ONLY TERM IT FOOL-HARDINESS.

...INVADING THIS CASTLE WITH YOUR NUMBER IS *TOO* RECKLESS.

BUT NO MATTER HOW SUPERIOR EACH OF YOU IS AS A WARRIOR...

...BUT AS AN APOSTLE.

I ASK THIS NOT AS A MAN...

...TO GAUGE MY POWER?

OR IS THE ORDER OF THE HAWK...

...OPPOSE THE MASTER?

WHY DO YOU...

GU HAHA HAH...

GUH

...KNAVE.

SO SAY YOU...

I AM THE
ONE AND ONLY
FUNDAMENTAL
IN THIS WORLD
OF FILTH.
TO TAKE THAT
FROM ME,
IT WOULD BE
PAID FOR
IN BLOOD.

EVEN IF IT
BE BY GOD
COME DOWN
TO EARTH,
THERE IS
NO ESCAPING
THIS FACT.

I HAVE
TRAMPLED
MORE
BENEATH
ME THAN
ANY OTHER
IN THIS
WORLD.

KING
AMONG
KINGS.

I AM THE
EMPEROR.

...I WILL TAKE AND DESECRATE GOD.

WITH MY OWN BLOOD-DRENCHED HANDS...

NO...

*MRRRRM

ムクク…

コオオ…

*HONNNN

*BZHHHN

FOOL.

DON'T FLATTER YOURSELF.

GO ON, HAVE AT ME!

WHOOM

HEH

HEH

DEMON KNIGHTS

魔騎士

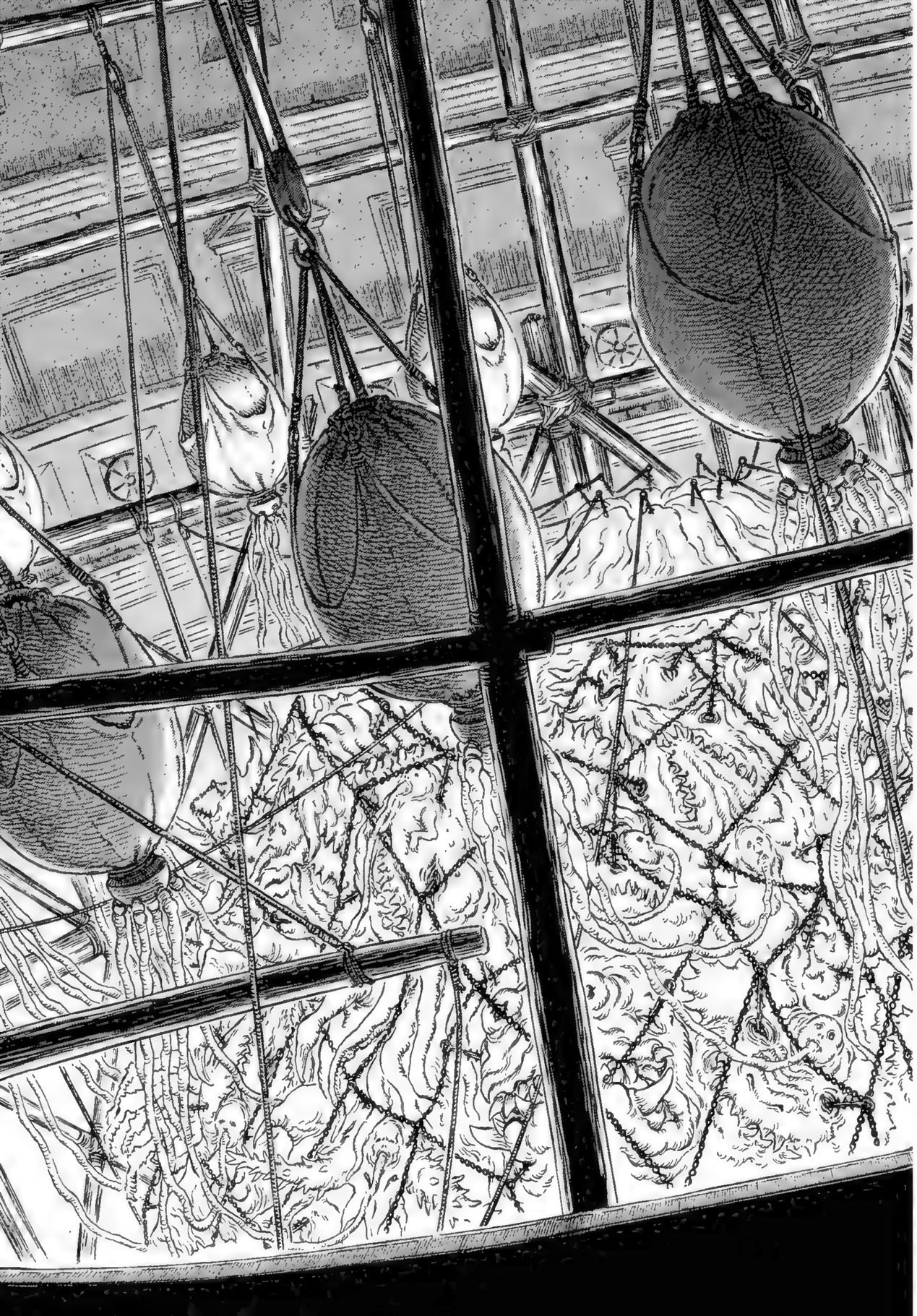
.....

...IS HE LURING US?

WHAT IS THIS PLACE?

!

WAIT.



*KULPULP

*KULPULP

*KULPULP

*KULPULP

*GOLP

*FX: KULPULP KULPULP

WHAT'S THIS...?!

WH...

*GUPP

AIIEEE!

NOOOO!

*FX BULGE

*ZHF

*FX: GLLLB

*SPLASSH

*SHRRIP

*VNGEEE

*VNGEEE

*FX. BLISSSH

*FX: KREEE KREEE

NOO

*NGEE

*NGEE

... SORCERY ?!

ILLICIT ...

OF COURSE.

THEY'RE USING *APOSTLES* TO BIRTH *DEMONS.*

THOSE APOSTLE BODY INTERIORS ARE LINKED TO THE BEYOND...

THEY'RE PATCHED TOGETHER, STILL ALIVE, AND FILLED WITH AMNIOTIC FLUID...

MHM

MHM

INTEREST-ING.

WHEN PREGNANT WOMEN ARE SUBMERGED...

IGH

...AND DEMON CHILDREN ARE BORN.

...THE OFFSPRING ARE *INFUSED* WITH EVIL...

MHMHM ...

WELL, NOW...

WHAT DO YOU KNOW?!

RAKSAS... JUST HOW...?

THE ONE WHO IS YOUR KEEPER...

I'LL TELL YOU THIS ONE THING.

...NOT A MAN.

...HE'S TRULY A DEMON KING...

WAIT ...!

TCH!

WHO GOES ?!

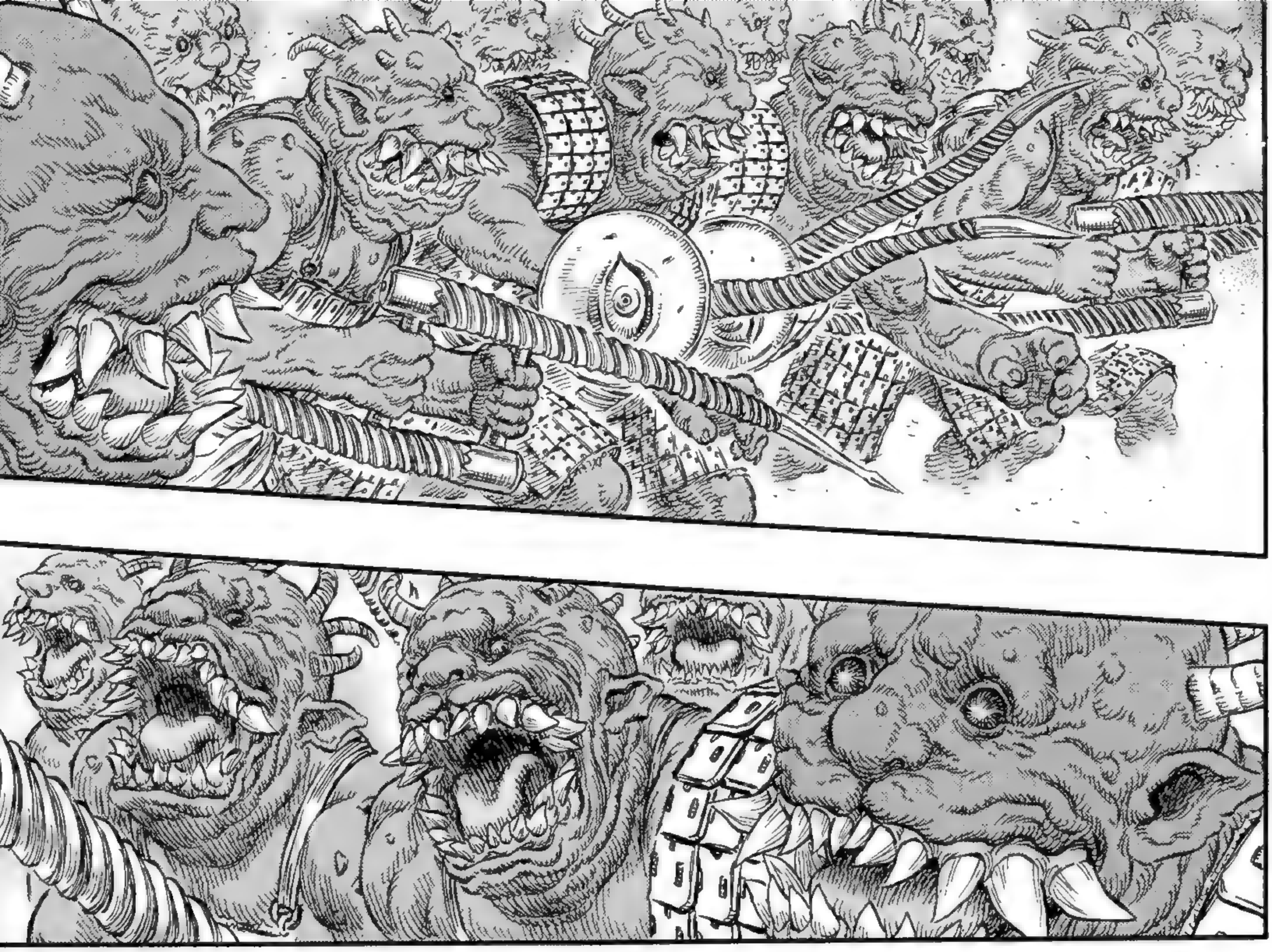
WHAT HAS HE DONE?!

THE DREAD EMPEROR...

...HE'S OPENED THE GATES OF HELL?!

DOES THIS MEAN...

*KULPULP



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NGEEE

*TWIRL

*FX: SHMP SHMP

*SHMP SHMP

*THUD

*THUD

*DSSH

HOHH...

*FX: VYMMMMM

THE ATTIRE, I'D SAY, OF A *DEMON KNIGHT.*

A CREATURE CLAIMING BOTH ARMOR AND HORSE.

...STAND TO SLAUGHTER US WAR DEMONS.

*VNNNNN

DO NOT THINK THAT THESE RANK AND FILE...

*DOOSH

*FX: SHLUK

*FX CHUSSH

*OHNNNNNN

*FX: GRIN

*FX RAISE

BAND OF THE HAWK WAR DEMON LANCERS...

...FORWARD!

*DSSSH

*KRUNNK

*SHFF

*SHFF

*VNGEE NGEE NGEE

CERTAINLY A FITTING SPECTACLE FOR THIS DEMON CASTLE.

A DEMON DINNER PARTY.

DEMON GOD

魔神

BERSERK

...DECEIVE ME?!

DO MY EYES...

*BRRRMMM...

...FLOODED OVER...

HELL HAS...

GREAT EMPER-OR!!

THE ONE WHO IS YOUR KEEPER... HE'S TRULY A DEMON KING, NOT A MAN.

I'LL TELL YOU THIS ONE THING.

...KING?!

DEMON...

*LIFT

*ZWWWN

*ZWWWN

*KDUNK
バラ.
*KDUNK
バラ.
*KDUNK
バラ.
*KDUNK
バラ.
BUT...
HE'S DESERVING OF HIS COMMAND OVER THIS UNIT OF THE BAND OF THE HAWK.
SUCH SPLENDID FIGHTING FORM.
THAT KNIGHT CALLED *LOCUS.*
ゾロ.
*SWARM
ゾロ.
*SWARM
...DAKA AND PISHACA?
...HOW LONG CAN HE FIGHT AGAINST THIS MANY...

SHOW ME YOU CAN BREAK THROUGH THIS LINE AND DEAL ME A BLOW!

KNIGHTS OF THE HAWK!

*VNN

*FX: SHRRRRRL

FUTILE!

*FWOHM

IMPERTI-
NENCE!

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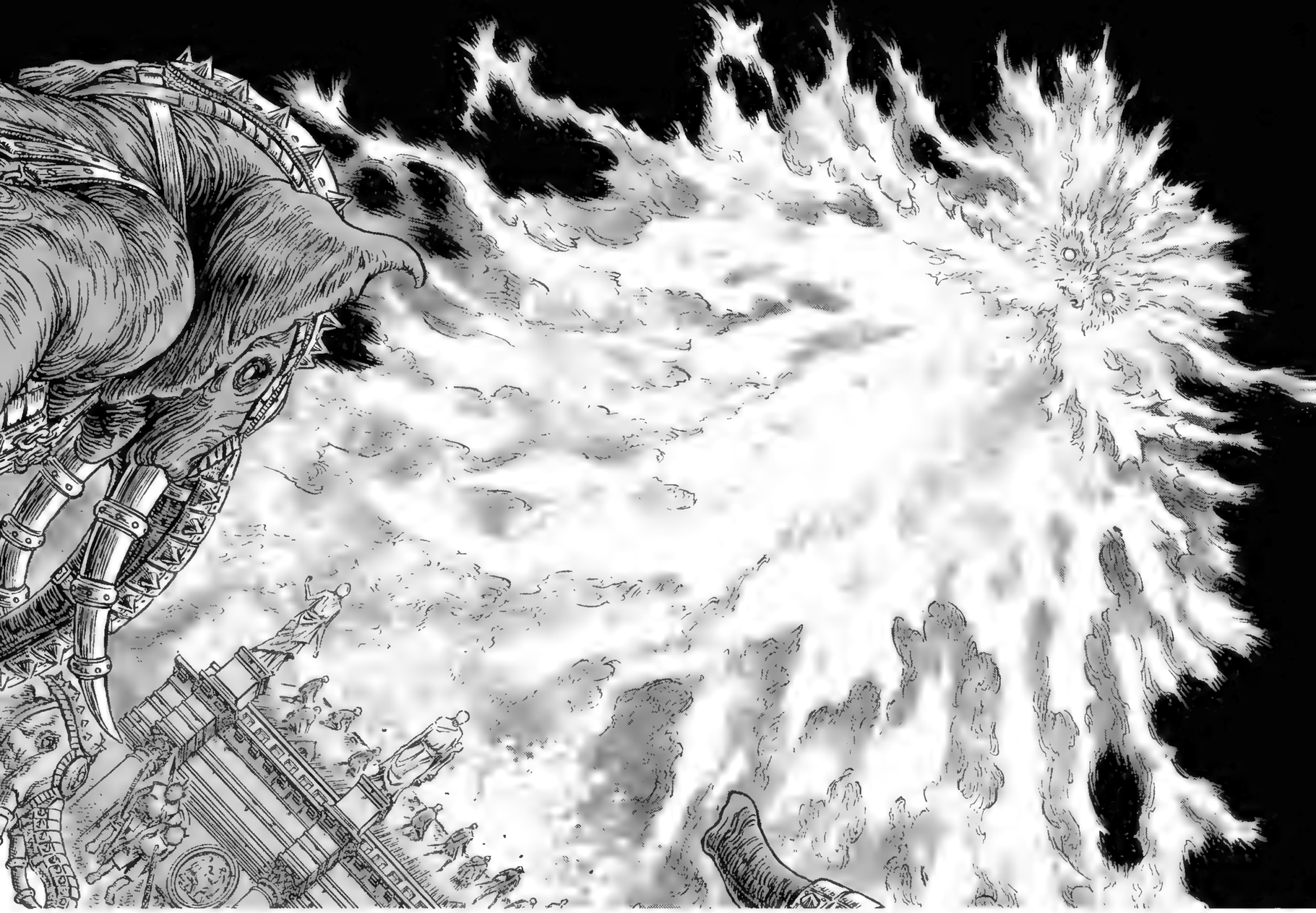
BWOOSH



HEED MY WORDS, PYGMIES...

SO PROUD OF WHAT LITTLE EVIL YOU HARBOR WITHIN YOU...

...FEEL THE TOUCH OF *TRUE* POWER!

*ZZZT

*KRAK

*BOOM

*WHOOSH

...
...
!!

*RORRR

ブズ.

ブズ.

*FX. SSSSSS

THE POWER OF A DEMON GOD...

A DEMON KING! NO...

ALL WHO ENTER THIS DEMON CITY ARE LIKE INSECTS WRITHING IN THE PALM OF MY HAND.

OBEY ME AND SURRENDER NOW.

YOUR PUNY GOAL WILL NOT BE ACHIEVED.

...SURE ABOUT THAT?

ARE YOU...

A FUTILE RETORT.

THUN-
DER.

MY, MY,
WILL IT
RAIN?

FOR SOME
REASON
THE CASTLE
SEEMS LIVELY
TONIGHT.

WHATEVER HAPPENS, I, AT LEAST...

...WILL NEVER LEAVE YOUR SIDE.

PLEASE TURN IN FOR THE NIGHT.

COME, YOUR HIGHNESS, ANY MORE WILL PROVE HARMFUL.

.....

*FX: PTAP

HIGH-NESS...

*FX: BTAM

.....

HAVE A GOOD NIGHT.

*FX: FWSSS

FX: KREEEE

THE WIND...

!

WH...

WHO?

.....

THE SLEEPING
PRINCESS AWAKENS

眠り姫の目覚め

BERSERK

THAT EMBROIDERY IS A WINDOW.

ONE THAT EXISTS TO FREE YOUR SPIRIT FROM THIS TOWER.

ERGO, THIS IS MY ROLE.

.....

IT CAN'T BE.

THE ONE DEPICTED BEYOND THE WINDOW.

...I ASK, ONCE AGAIN, YOUR PARDON...

THOUGH IT BE DISCOURTEOUS...

...PRINCESS CHARLOTTE.

...FITH ...

LORD... ... GRIF...

IT CAN'T ...

THIS IS A DREAM ...

A DREAM.

I LOST TRACK OF WHAT WAS A DREAM AND WHAT WAS REAL.

I...

IT'S ALL I THINK ABOUT.

ASLEEP OR AWAKE.

OVER AND OVER.

IT HAS TO BE.

A KNIGHT COME TO RESCUE A CAPTIVE PRINCESS.

IT'S SO HIGH UP HERE.

EVEN *I* LAUGH AT HOW CHILDISH THAT IS.

LIKE A LITTLE GIRL'S DREAM.

I MEAN, SOMETHING LIKE THIS IS *TOO* MUCH TO SEEM REAL.

...YOU'RE JUST LIKE...

BENEATH THE MOON-LIGHT...

I MEAN...

I MEAN...

BUT PLEASE ...

...I BEG YOU...

...DON'T DISAP-PEAR...

...LIKE THAT TIME...

THERE WAS A STORY LIKE THAT.

THE PRINCESS WHO PRICKED HER FINGER WITH THE NEEDLE FELL INTO A DEEP SLEEP.

IS THIS PAIN...

...A DREAM...

...OR NOT?

ピク

*TWITCH

SO WARM...

NO...

IT'S NOT.

...JUST *NOW* WOKE UP.

THE PRINCESS...

LORD GRIFFITH...!

ANNA!

WHAT IS IT, HIGH-NESS?

HIGH-NESS?

HEY! HER HIGH-NESS IS CALLING YOU!

?

GET ON THE BED!

NEVER MIND, JUST PUT THAT ON!

WHATEVER HAPPENS, CLING TO THE BED AND *DON'T* MOVE FROM IT!

LISTEN WELL, ANNA!

WHAT IN THE WORLD...? I KNOW, YOU MUST HAVE HAD A SCARY DREAM, AND SO...

*FX: FWAHH

THAT MUST HAVE BEEN VERY NICE.

YES...

*FX: CLING

THAT HE WOULD TAKE US FROM HERE!

HUHH?

I DO NOT KNOW, BUT LORD GRIFFITH SAID TO STAY LIKE THIS!

THIS IS NO DREAM.

NO MORE SLEEPING.

GDASSSH

*DM

*DM

*DM

*THRUST

ALL FORCES, WITHDRAW!

KOKKFF

BOR-KOFF.

ゴゴゴゴ

DSSH
DSSH

?!

WHAT ARE THEY UP TO?!

KOFF

*KRONK

*BMBM

ゴゴゴ

KOFF KOFF

*BMBM

ゴゴゴ

...!!

DMDMDMDM.

HSSSSG.

*FX: ZSSSSSH

*FX: DOOSH DOOSH DOOSH DOOSH DOOSH

DM. DM. DM. DM.

*FX: DOOSH

AND WHY SO SUDDENLY ...?

WHY DID THEY RETREAT?

SO WHY ...?

NO, IT'S LIKELY...

WITH THAT MUCH CHARGING POWER, THEY MIGHT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO BREACH MY FORCES.

*FX: VWAHH

*FWOMM

IT COULDN'T BE...?!

*FX. CLATA

*FX KRAK

*FX· PSSHT

FROM THE SKY, WHERE FOG REACHES NOT...!!

DAMN YOU.

*KRISSSSH

YOU DECEIVED MEEEE!!

I-I DO NOT KNOW EITHERRRR !!

WHAT IS GOING ONNNN?!

HIGH-NESSSSS !!

THIS BED IS *FLYING* THROUGH THE SKY!!

THIS IS THE *SKY!*

TH... THIS IS...

IF THIS IS A DREAM, THEN TO MY HOME, PLEASE, SIR BED.

I MEAN, OH, A DREAM. HOW ABOUT THAT.

WHEWWW

BUT...

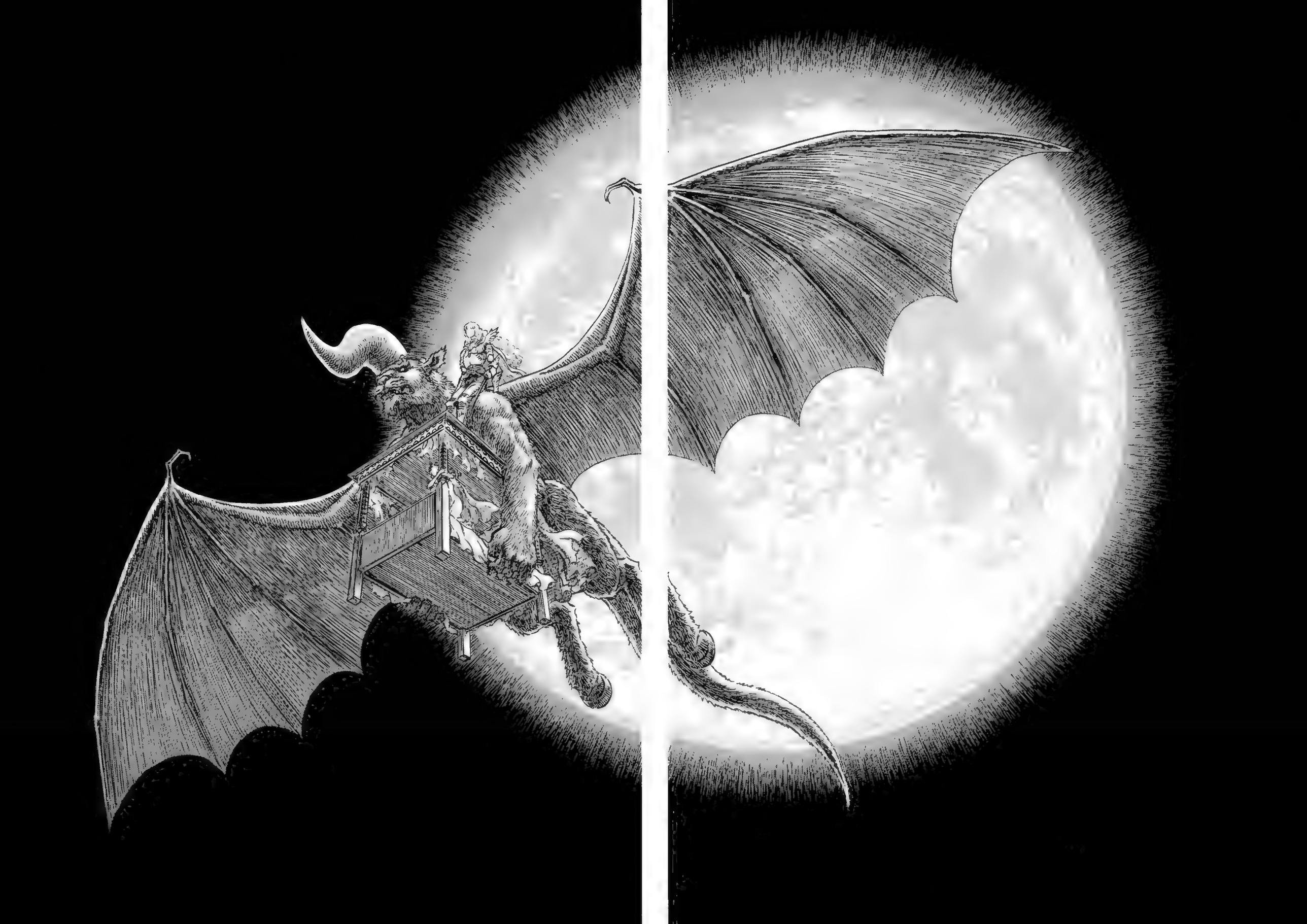
YES, TRUE.

A DREAM ...

THIS IS JUST LIKE...

AMIDST THIS DREAM-SCAPE...

...THIS FINGER AT LEAST STILL FEELS WARM.



BERSERK

フアルコニア

鷹都の章　潮騒　THE SOUND OF THE SEA

*FX: KEEEERN KEEEERN

*ZHZHAAAAA

*PLACH

FREAKIN' HUUUGE!!!

ドドドドドド

*DOOOSH

*BLOOSH

ガブ

RAHHH!

THAT LOOKS LIKE FUN.

DELUGEMON

ガバ

ガバ

*BLOCCH

RIGHT, SCHIERKE ?

IT'S JUST A BIG PUDDLE!

AND IT'S STICKY AND STINKS LIKE SALT.

WHAT A CHILD, GETTIN' WORKED UP JUST SEEIN' THE SEA.

I UNDER-STAND ISIDRO GREW UP IN THE MOUNTAINS, SO IT COMES AS NO SUR-PRISE.

RIGHT, SCHIERKE ?!

EH?

!

ガバ

ガバ

ガバ

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*ZHZHAAAAA

WHAT'S GOT YOU SO DIS-TRACTED ?

THANKS.

.....

GUTS.

UH...

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

?

...YOU REALLY...

...AND REST FOR AT LEAST FOUR OR FIVE MORE DAYS...

...SHOULD TAKE OFF THE ARMOR...

BUT...

MY BODY'S NOT ALL THAT DELICATE. DON'T WORRY.

THE TALISMAN YOUR MISTRESS CARVED INTO THIS ARMOR...

...AND CASCA'S NECKLACE...

...PROBABLY WON'T LAST FOREVER AS SUBSTITUTES.

I'VE ALREADY BEEN LAID UP ALMOST A MONTH. WE CAN'T WASTE ANY MORE TIME.

EVEN THE WOUNDS'RE A LOT BETTER THANKS TO YOUR STRONG MEDICINE AND THE ***BUGS.***

THE PAIN DEFINITELY DOESN'T FADE AS MUCH AS IT DOES WHEN I'M FIGHTING, BUT STILL, THANKS TO THIS THING, OUR JOURNEY WON'T BE DELAYED.

WHADDA YA MEAN, "BUGS" PLURAL?! DON'T LUMP ME WITH THAT CHESTNUT RUNT!

IT APPEARS!

YOU'RE SO MEAN.

DO NOT BE NEGLIGENT. THAT ARMOR IS CURSED... YOU COULD END UP GOING BERSERK IN BATTLE AGAIN...

BUT NOW I'VE GOT A RELIABLE MAGIC USER.

AHHH, STICKYYY!

*STICKY CLING

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WE'RE BOTH ELVES HERE. HAVE SOME STICKY CLING, EVIL AIRHEAD-ED-ED-ED.

.....

THE ARMOR ATE INTO HIS BODY FOR DAYS, UNABLE TO BE REMOVED, AND THE BLEEDING CONTINUED...

IT REALLY WAS DREADFUL AFTER THAT BATTLE.

BUT...

...I KNOW IT'S RASH.

EACH TIME, THE WOUNDS WOULD AGAIN OPEN.

WHEN WE FINALLY REMOVED IT, THE SHARP PAIN MADE HIM REPEATEDLY SLIP IN AND OUT OF CONSCIOUSNESS.

...FOR THAT HE MUST, AS A HUMAN, BECOME A MONSTER. BUT...

NO MATTER HOW ROBUST HE IS, IF A MERE HUMAN IS TO EXCHANGE BLOWS WITH THOSE MONSTERS...

NO, EVEN **NOW** HIS SURVIVAL'S NOT GUARANTEED...

THAT TIME IN QLIPHOTH... IF SOMETHING LIKE THAT HAPPENED AGAIN...

THIS IS NICE.

I DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS REALLY THE...

UH?
.....

...WATCH THE SUN SET AND BE THIS CALM...

NEVER COULD I...

I THOUGHT, NEVER AGAIN.

...COULD I SLEEP THE NIGHT THROUGH.

NEVER AGAIN...

LET US FEND OFF THE SEA BREEZE UP THERE FOR THE NIGHT.

EVERY-ONE.

.....

CAN HE STILL SWING THAT SWORD?

HE'S LOST WEIGHT

パァ

*FX: PLEP

YOU HAVE MADE PROGRESS, BUT YOU STILL MUST NOT PUSH YOURSELF.

YEAH, I FEEL A LOT BETTER.

BOUILLA-BAISSE-STYLE SEAFOOD NABE.

LOOKS GOOD WHAT IS IT?

IN ADDITION, IF THE SEA BREEZE BLOWS OVER HIM... DESPITE IT BEING NIGHT, HE WON'T BE ABLE TO SLEEP.

BE THANKFUL

HE SHRIVELS UP DAILY

I LIE. THE WOUNDS HAVEN'T CLOSED MUCH ON THIS JOURNEY.

THIS IS MY FIRST BOUNTY OF THE SEA IN SO LONG, I WISHED TO PRACTICE MY ART. IS IT TOO SALTY?

NO...

.....

YEAHHH.

WHAT'S WITH THAT HAIR, THOUGH?

THIS STUFF'S...

...GOOD.

IT JUST REMINDED ME OF THE CLITS IN MY MOUTH.

THE *MOSTLY* BLACK SWORDS-MAN.

SAY WHAT YOU WANT.

THE *SLIGHTLY* WHITE SWORDS-MAN.

...THE BLACK SWORDS-MAN *NOW.*

YOU DON'T LOOK LIKE...

NOT BAD. YOU'RE A HANDY GUY.

THAT TAKES CARE OF YOUR CLOTHING MAKEOVER FOR NOW. YOUR EQUIPMENT LAYOUT IS NOW ALTERED WITH EASE OF USE IN MIND.

'N SO... ...WHAT KINDA PLACE IS YOUR HOMELAND, ANYWAY?

FWUUU

FWUUU

IF I MAY SAY...

IT'S BAR-BARIC. TASTY, THOUGH...

THESE CRAB AND SHELLFISH CORPSES'RE PRETTY GOOD. CLAMIBALISM ♡

I HAVE HEARD OF IT FROM MY MISTRESS.

IT'S SWARMIN' WITH GUYS LIKE YOU, RIGHT? *ELFHELL!*

NOT HELL! ELF-HELMMM!

ELFHELM! A UTOPIA AMIDST THE SEA, FAR TO THE WEST. THE FLOWERS BLOSSOM, THE BIRDS SING, AND THE ELVES DANCE THE DAY AWAY, ET CETERA.

ELFHELL.

IF IT AIN'T RE-CORDED... HEY!

SO LONG AS WE HAVE MY ELFIN NAVIGA-TION.

"ピピピ.. *BEEP BEEP

YOU MEAN A HOMING INSTINCT. LIKE A BIRD.

LIKE THE FOREST OF THE SPIRIT TREE, IT BELONGS TO THE INTERSTICE, SO IT IS UNRECORDED IN THAT AREA OF OCEAN, AND REGULAR HUMANS CANNOT REACH IT.

ON A LEGENDARY ISLAND IN THE WESTERN SEA, AN ISLAND CALLED *SKELLIG.*

I HAVE ALWAYS WANTED TO SEE IT ONCE WITH MY OWN EYES.

SHOW 'EM YOUR TRUE POWER!

IT IS SAID THAT MANY MAGICIANS LIVE WITH THE ELVES ON THAT ISLAND.

UM, SCHIERKE.

WHO ARE YOU TO TALK?

WON'T *THEY* BE THE ONES TREATIN' *YOU* LIKE A BUMPKIN?

...

THE PLACE YOU LIVED WAS QUITE NICE, BUT PRIMITIVE.

KINDA GROSS, MAYBE?

*FX: CRACK CRACK

...

...EARNEST REQUEST TO MAKE.

I HAVE AN...

WHAT DID YOU JUST ...?

LA-LADY FARNESE ...

WOULD YOU...

...BE WILLING TO TEACH ME MAGIC?

W-WOWWW. SO *FARNY* WANTS TO BECOME A WITCH... WOW.

HOL...

A SIDE JOB TO BABY-SITTIN'?

WHOA, THERE...

.....

*FX: CLASP

HOLD...

Y-YEAH, BUT I DON'T THINK IT'S A GOOD IDEA FOR A GROWN-UP TO BE A DISCIPLE TO THIS LITTLE DUCKLING!

MY, MY.

I HAVE BEEN THINKING ABOUT IT EVER SINCE THE TROLLS!

YOUR DIRTY DISPOSITION'S SHOWIN' THROUGH, DEAR DISCIPLE.

UM

*OPEN/CLOSE

OH MY.

AIN'T YOU GOT NO PRIDE AS AN ARISTOCRAT ?!

PRIDE ALONE'S NOTHIN'.

AT ALL THE MIRACLES YOU CAUSED... AT THE ART CALLED MAGIC.

TO BE HONEST, MY HEART TREMBLED THAT TIME. SO MUCH DREAD... AND EXCITE-MENT...

...I WAS POWERLESS. I JUST HUGGED MY KNEES AND COWERED.

IN THIS UNKNOWN WORLD, INTO WHICH I TOOK MY FIRST STEPS...

...WAS CASCA, AND...

WHAT GAVE ME THAT COURAGE...

BUT WHEN THE TIME CAME THAT I HAD TO PROTECT SOMEONE, EVEN ONE SUCH AS I...

...THE MAGIC DAGGER I GOT FROM YOU!

R...

RIGHT...

SPOOKY EYES!!!

TO ME, THE DAGGER WAS *UNDE-NIABLY* MAGICAL.

IT'S KINDA STARTIN' TO SOUND LIKE FLATTERY.

EVERY-THIN' SHE SAYS IS EXAG-GERATED.

BUT... THAT IS JUST A SILVER KNIFE, SO...

...AND EXPLORE THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE FROM WITHIN YOUR WORLD.

FLORA SAID...

THAT IS THE WAY OF MAGIC.

...ACCEPT THE GREAT MYSTERIES...

...THEN PLEASE, I ASK YOU TO IMPART IT TO ME.

IF THERE IS A LIGHT OF REASON THAT ILLUMINATES THE UNKNOWN DARKNESS...

...OF THE PHYSICAL WORLD BEFORE THEIR EYES, AND THOSE PREJUDICES BECOME HARDER TO ABOLISH.

THAT IS BECAUSE, MORE THAN ANY OTHER REASON, AS A PERSON AGES, THEY BECOME BOUND BY THE WORLD VIEW...

*FX: UHHHH

THIS IS NO SHOW.

HEY!

*FX: SEETHE

*FX: SHOO

*FX: LICK

...CAN REMEMBER A TIME WHEN THEY DID NOT STUDY IT.

IT IS SAID THAT MAGIC IS QUITE UNMASTER-ABLE IF ONE...

...SO THAT DOES NOT SEEM TO BE A CONCERN.

I AM STILL IN TRAINING MYSELF, BUT I THINK I CAN AT LEAST TEACH THE BASICS.

BUT...

...YOU HAVE BEEN THROUGH SOME THOR-OUGHLY DREADFUL EXPERI-ENCES...

TEACH-ER!!

BY DEFAULT, THAT MAKES YOU MY SERVANT. ♡

THIS IS SO EMBARRASSING

THANK YOU SO MUCH !!

T-TEACHER...

I WANT A DISCIPLE OBEDIENT LIKE THAT.

FIRST, A FOUN-DATION.

QUICK!

SO, RIGHT TO SPELLS.

L-L-LADY FARNESE... W-W-WITCH...

THE WITCH HUNTER, A WITCH.

...BLE

MUM...

ZWAGGHHH!

BERSERK

STOP

This is the back of the book!

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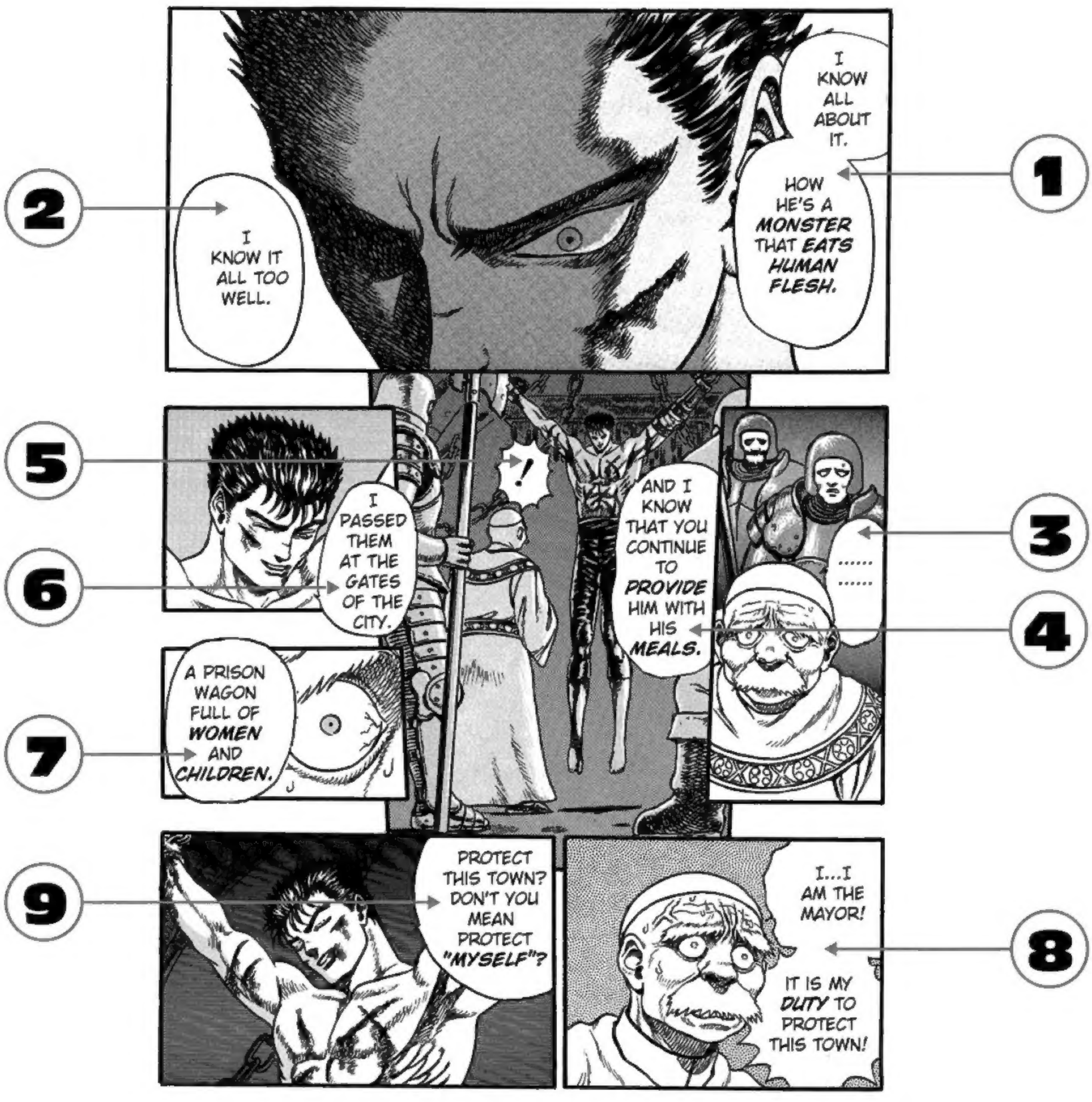
1
I KNOW ALL ABOUT IT.
HOW HE'S A *MONSTER* THAT *EATS HUMAN FLESH.*
2
I KNOW IT ALL TOO WELL.
3
AND I KNOW THAT YOU CONTINUE TO *PROVIDE* HIM WITH HIS *MEALS.*
.....
.....
4
5
I PASSED THEM AT THE GATES OF THE CITY.
6
7
A PRISON WAGON FULL OF *WOMEN* AND *CHILDREN.*
8
I...I AM THE MAYOR!
IT IS MY *DUTY* TO PROTECT THIS TOWN!
9
PROTECT THIS TOWN? DON'T YOU MEAN PROTECT *"MYSELF"?*

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BERSERK

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Now equipped with the mystical Berserker Armor, Guts fights on against the dragon form of Grunbeld and his legion of fanatic apostle soldiers. But the very armor that holds Guts together—in a nightmarishly literal sense—might be the last straw that tears his tortured mind apart. While Guts struggles to hold his own against his inner demons, monsters of a very different sort rally in Windham as the Kushan Emperor, Ganishka, and the newly reborn Griffith rally their forces in a head-to-head struggle for control of all of Midland. But when the dust finally settles, there may be little left of the kingdom to claim!

Created by Kentaro Miura, *Berserk* is a pounding manga sledgehammer, a captivating combination of blistering action, brazen horror, and bug-house humor that proves beyond doubt that whom the gods would destroy, they first make *Berserk!*

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